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1. Papers enclosed

18 Page(s) of Specification
6 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
7 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1(a)-8)

- ☒ A Patent Application Bibliographic Data
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ A Claim for Priority and a certified copy of:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2001-13688	January 22, 2001

- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
☐ PTO Form-1449
☒ An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to:

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2. Additional Papers to Follow Under Separate Cover

- [x] A Claim for Priority and a certified copy of:**

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4. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting, after the title and before the first line, the paragraph:

--This application claims priority from Japanese Application 2001-13688, filed January 22, 2001, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

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☐ Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

☐ Applicants hereby request that the attached application **not be** published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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